City of Cosmopolis December 7, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mayor Frank Chestnut presiding

Councilmembers present: Debbi Moran, Jonathan Fischer, Kyle Pauley, Jim Ancich and Carl Sperring

Staff Present: Attorney Steve Hyde, Finance Director Cheryl Turner, Fire Chief Jerry Schreck, Public Works Director Darrin Raines, and Police Chief Casey Stratton

Executive Director, Gary Nelson, Chairman Stan Pinnick and Public Affairs Manager, Kayla Dunlap gave a presentation about the Port of Grays Harbor. The Port has grown over the last seven years. Longshoremen have increased from 33 to 96. Kayla said 400,000 Chryslers have been shipped out of the Port. The Port has 7 lines of business. Marine terminals, navigation services, industrial properties, Westport marina, Satsop business park, Bowerman airport and public access and recreation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Ancich to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Ancich to approve the consent agenda consisting of the November 16, 2016 workshop and regular meeting minutes and vouchers #22153 through #22172 and #22193 through #22211 in the amount of \$158,218.62. Motion approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grays Harbor Council of Governments – Mayor Chestnut said they had a dinner meeting. Discussed regional transportation and the audit report.

E9-1-1 – Mayor Chestnut reported the current chairman will be leaving and will be replaced by Fire Chief Tom Hubbard.

Flood Authority – Mayor Chestnut said they met and assessed the new projects.

CITY OFFICIALS

Finance Director – Finance Director Turner told Council we had received \$101,000 in property tax and that the Fire Hall bond was official paid off.

Police Chief – Police Chief Stratton reported the equipment is being installed on the new car. The work and parts were free so we are just waiting for them to finish.

Fire Chief – Fire Chief Schreck said the equipment that the grant covered is coming in.

Public Works Director – Public Works Director Raines reported that he would be meeting the engineers on Friday to go over 90% completion. He said he is hoping to put an ad out for construction of the dam by the end of January. Raines said they had to resubmit the JARPA permit because of some redesigning and says that shouldn't be a problem. Public Works Director Raines said we would not be able to move forward with a Transportation Benefit District. He said there is not enough time to get it on the ballot for February. He suggested putting the Board together in January and get on the April ballot.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Chestnut brought up the annexation that the City had been talking about. There are a couple of property owners that are interested in annexing the golf course and possibly the owners of the property beyond the golf course. Councilmember Pauley volunteered to help in any way he can.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Authorize Mayor to sign Municipal Services Agreement (Greater Grays Harbor) It was moved by Councilmember Sperring to authorize the Mayor to sign the municipal service agreement with Greater Grays Harbor. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ancich. Motion approved.

B. Ordinance #1306 – 2017 Budget

It was moved by Councilmember Sperring to suspend the reading of the 2017 Budget Ordinance. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Moran. Motion approved. It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Sperring to adopt Ordinance #1306. Motion approved.

C. Ordinance #1307 – 2016 Budget Amendment

It was moved by Councilmember Pauley and seconded by Councilmember Ancich to adopt Ordinance #1307. Motion approved.

D. Ordinance #1308 – Establishing a City Administrator

It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Fischer to adopt Ordinance #1308. Motion approved.

E. Ordinance #1309 – Closing the sewer construction fund

It was moved by Councilmember Sperring and seconded by Councilmember Pauley to adopt Ordinance #1309. Motion approved.

F. Authorize Mayor to sign the interlocal agreement w/ Hoquiam (Attorney services) It was moved by Councilmember Moran and seconded by Councilmember Sperring to authorize the Mayor to sign the interlocal agreement with Hoquiam (Attorney services).

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Pauley said he attended a meeting concerning brownfield sites. Paperwork will be submitted this month. The City may get some money from it. Councilmember Pauley said he would be attending the Regional Expo at the Quinault Casino. He told Council that Representative Kilmer had a sit down with Cosmo last week.

	Finance Director	
Attest:		
Mayor		